

SERVANT IS FINED FOR HURLING ROCK THROUGH WINDOW

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 12.—The mysterious cause for the terror in which the wealthy families of Ashley and Sargeant have been living for months was revealed yesterday when Katherine Cosgrove was fined \$50 for hurling a big stone through the library window of a fine residence and smashing much valuable bric-a-brac.

The residents have been living in terror of some person who has found vent for a strange impulse in throwing stones and croquet balls through windows. Several women in the homes narrowly have escaped injury and much damage has been done.

Two detectives have been watching for the person with the impulse and a powerful throwing arm for many nights. They have concealed the library a few nights ago when they heard a window smash, and they ran out, but no one was in sight.

While these detectives were not civil engineers, they did a little surveying and determined to watch the bedroom window of Katherine Cosgrove, who for fourteen years has been a trusted servant in a wealthy family.

With field glasses, they have watched through a dark little window near her home for several nights. In court they testified that they saw her cautiously raise her window and then hurl a large stone through the window of the library in the next house. That stone not only broke the window, but raised havoc in the curio cabinet.

Then the woman servant quietly lowered her window and then the detectives reached her home. They said she was in bed and apparently asleep, but they arrested her, despite her protests and those of her employers. In court she repeated her assertions of innocence and her employers pleaded for her, but she was fined \$50.

Following the action in court the residents in that neighborhood prepared for their first night of solid sleep in weeks.

WESTPORT

(Special to The Farmer.)

Westport, Dec. 12.—A large number of young people from this town went to Weston last evening to attend a dance given by the Town Improvement association. A bus containing 24 left the town hall at 8 o'clock.

A large number is expected to attend the cake sale given by the Child's Welfare club tomorrow afternoon. The proceeds will be used in a Christmas tree for the worthy children of the town.

Miss Edith Snyder of Bridgeport spent Wednesday with friends in town. Miss Lena Swain has returned to her home in New York after spending a few days with friends on State street.

There are unclaimed letters at the Westport post office for Mr. H. D. Brooks, Mr. J. E. Deanna, Miss Janet Brington, Mr. Clifford Williams, Mr. Edward Ferris, Mr. Everett Thompson.

Mrs. William Gould of Fairfield has been spending several days with friends here.

The Equal Franchise league met this afternoon with Mrs. Agnes Lewis Mitchell of Wrentham street.

Miss Bessie Boland, who has been clerking for John P. Bailey at his North Main street store during the past summer, has resigned to accept a position in the Boston Store, New York.

Daniel P. McKenna of the local marble works, has at the present time men at work putting in foundations for 20 monuments at Willow Brook and other cemeteries in town. He has recently erected at Colebrook cemetery a monument to the memory of Sally Benedict and also one in memory of Mrs. Thomas Beddett and family.

Plans are being made for a gun shoot to be held at the grounds of the Westport Country club on Christmas Day. Prizes will be offered for the highest scores and invitations have been extended to all who wish to attend. It is expected a large number of out of town crack shots will be present and one of the best times ever held by the club is being looked forward to.

TRUMBULL

Miss Cora E. Beach is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Beach of Watertown.

Verna Banks visited on Wednesday her cousin, Miss Ruth Davis, who is an inmate of the Shelton sanitarium. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest S. Ward entertained on Thursday, Miss Ella M. Ward of Nichols.

Miss Dorothy Beach has returned to her duties at the Bridgeport High school, having been absent several days because of illness.

Miss Mildred E. Tucker has recently entertained Miss Gertrude Frazier of Noble avenue, Bridgeport.

Mrs. Mykatt of Bridgeport spent Wednesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles N. Everts.

Mrs. Albert E. Linley is ill and under the care of Dr. Roberts of Bridgeport.

Trumbull Grange No. 134, P. of H., will hold a regular meeting at Grange hall, Friday evening for annual election of officers.

Verna Barake of White Plains has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Burr F. Beach.

Mrs. Jennie Bowker, who underwent an operation at the Bridgeport hospital last week, is improving rapidly.

GUARDING AGAINST CROUP

The best safeguard against croup is a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound in the house. P. H. Ginn, Middletown, Ga., writes: "My children are very susceptible to croup, easily catch cold. I give them Foley's Honey and Tar Compound and in every instance they get prompt relief and are soon cured. We keep it at home and prevent croup." Hindle's Drug Store.—Adv.

REFORM LEAGUE ELECTS OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

Boston, Dec. 12.—Election of officers was the first business taken up at today's session of the annual meeting of the National Civil Service Reform League. This was followed by the presentation of reports including that of the committee on resolutions.

At a public meeting papers were read on various topics connected with civil service reform.

FARMER WANT ADS. ONE CENT A WORD.

HOUSEHOLD NOTES

To boil cracked eggs, add a little salt to the water.

To save time in baking sweet potatoes, parboil them first.

A dash of quince preserve is a great improvement in pumpkin pie.

The economical housewife should give due importance to the molasses jug.

Common-baking soda is a great help in cleaning bath tubs and wash basins.

Chopped dates and nuts mixed are another good filling for school lunches.

To ice a tiny cake, dip it into the icing, holding it by the thumb and forefinger.

Beat a cake batter as little as possible after the flour is put into the cake mixture.

Wipe off holly leaves for the Christmas table with a cloth dipped into olive oil.

Two tones of gray wall paper make an excellent background for the living room.

Try whipping cream in the small glass globes used for gold fish. It does not spatter.

In cases of burns, the application of powdered charcoal soothes the pain and heals the sore like magic.

To make a tiny Christmas tree, stand it upright on the table and plant it in a jardiniere filled with sand.

Sew a shield-shaped piece of material under the arms of corset covers and they will last much longer.

Wash old bed springs, then cover on both sides with gray flannel and tuck them as if they were new.

A good salad is made of white grapes and sliced pineapples on a bed of lettuce leaves. Serve with mayonnaise.

Instead of resprinkling small articles which have become too dry to iron, hold them in the steam of a tea kettle.

Cuff links to match the buttons used on a shirtwaist may be made by joining two of the buttons with a strong thread.

Baked beans with a suggestion of chili sauce on them make a delicious filling for brown bread sandwiches.

To keep a meringue from falling, mix a saltspoonful of baking powder just before putting the meringue on the pie.

Wash soda water is the best thing with which to remove dirt, etc., from old furniture which is to be refinished.

Fine white felt hats, past their usefulness, can be thoroughly washed and cut into soft little moccasins for the baby.

If apples are not keeping well, they will only keep the worse for sorting and handling. The bruising and general disturbance will work a positive injury.

In planning a house, the den for the wife should not be forgotten. It is quite as necessary as that for her husband.

Saw a loop to the inside of a hat where it will not show, if you would like to be sure of your hat staying on its hook.

Beaten bags of cotton flannel or old underwear should be made with draw strings to tie securely about the broom handle.

If you hem your table napkins, it will be found unwise to use a machine. It is hemmed at each end and washed before cutting.

A two or three pound crock of fine butter is one of the presents a farmer's wife will find very acceptable to her friends.

Four boiling water over the raisins and let them stand a minutes; then pour off and you can pinch the seeds off at each end.

The cellar for winter storage should be neither too dry nor too wet. If there are two rooms, one should be warmer than the other.

Granulated sugar makes a coarse grade of powdered sugar a fine one, but a moist, light brown sugar is one of the best kinds to use.

Hothouse flowers, like chrysanthemums, can be kept fresh for days if the water in the vase is changed and the flowers are not kept hot.

In cleaning windows, first remove the dirt with hot, soapy water, then wipe the panes with a paraffine cloth and polish with a piece of paper.

When making cake, save a little of your cake mixture and fill it with raisins and currants or nuts. Then bake in putty pans for the children.

To keep celery fresh and crisp, prepare it for the table, then wrap each piece of clean linen in ice cold water and place the celery on the ice. It will keep a week.

A bag of dried lavender from the garden is a delightful Christmas gift to a friend. Dried rose leaves or lemon verbena or rosemary are equally good.

Salads are a very important part of the diet—even all winter. The cooler and simpler they are, the better, because they are usually combined with rich heavy foods.

Bread flour should always be used for bread and pastry flour for pastry, for the two are quite different things. The first should absorb the most water and the second the least.

The beautiful imported handkerchiefs that are much more satisfactory is stiffened with a card slightly pasted and covered with satin. If desired, this can be perfumed with sachet.

Only a very slightly warm iron must be used on flannels. It is said that wiping the iron over with kerosene will prevent scorching. There is no known remedy for scorching on flannels, because the fibers have been destroyed by the heat.

Date balls for the holidays are made of three cupfuls of dates, chopped and stoned, a cupful of black walnut meats, chopped, a tablespoonful of ginger syrup and one of chopped preserved ginger. Run through a chopper, make into balls and roll in cocoanut.

To make orange food, wash and dry a dozen fine oranges; rub the rinds with 1/4 pound cut sugar and put it into a double boiler with the orange juice. Add three eggs well beaten and a pint of thin sweet cream. Stir until thickened, then chill. Serve in glasses.

CHRISTMAS CLOTHING

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AT OUR CHRISTMAS SALE

MONEY IS KING, IF EVER, AT CHRISTMAS TIME IN THE AVERAGE STORE—BUT HERE CREDIT IS QUEEN ALWAYS. SHE RULES THIS STORE WITH A GENTLE AND WILLING HAND—HER SCEPTRE IS QUALITY, HER THRONE LOW PRICES. COME AND ENJOY THE SAVINGS POSSIBLE AT OUR CHRISTMAS SALE. DON'T SPEND A PENNY, JUST SAY CHARGE IT.

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Reduced Prices

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FOR LADIES AND MISSES

Cloaks of Astrachan, Boucle, Plush, Persian and fancy striped materials, in all colors and styles, including fancy draped coats. \$5.98 to \$45.00

SPECIAL—BOUCLE CLOAKS

Made of good quality Boucle Cloth, with heavy curl, lapels made of seal plus. Regularly worth \$18.00. **\$11.98**

JUNIOR COATS—Suitable for intermediate sizes, all new and fashionable cloths, colors and styles, 13 to 15 years. \$7.98 to \$20.00

Suits

FOR LADIES AND MISSES

These suits combine every good feature of high class tailoring. They are of the latest styles, draped skirt, plain or slit and the jackets are of latest designs to suit each individual taste. Made of new fall fabrics such as moire, velour, matelasse serge, broadcloth, etc., in latest winter colors and style. \$12.00 to \$30.00

TAILORED SUITS

Made of All Wool Serge, in black, navy, Copenhagen and mahogany. New models, satin lined, draped skirt. \$18.00. **\$11.98**

JUNIOR SUITS—Made in short length, skirts, jaunty and stylish coats, suitable for girls 13 to 15 years. \$12.00 to \$17.00

DRESS SKIRTS

WOMEN'S AND MISSES' SKIRTS—Made of fancy plaids, also black and navy, all wool serge. \$8.98 to \$10.00

SATEEN SKIRTS IN BLACK—All new styles, including cloths, etc. 25c to \$3.00

SILK PETTICOATS—Larger assortment of high colors, also black, in messaline and other fancy silks. \$1.98 to \$10.00

Furs

For Women, Misses and Children

Good pelts can be spoiled if handled by an inexperienced furrier. That's the reason we buy one of the most reliable furriers in New York. Anticipating an unusually cold winter we ordered heavily. The consignment was so large that we were forced to sell this stock at the following low prices:

LADIES' AND MISSES' FUR SETS—Black Fox, Black Opossum, Gray Lynx, Civet Cat, Leopard Skin, Tiger Skin, Kit Fox, Raccoon, Wolf and numerous other skins. \$8.98 to \$75.00

SEPARATE MUFFS.....\$2.98 up

CHILDREN'S FURS.....\$3.98 up

SPECIAL

IM. KITT FOX SETS

Made of good quality fur. A perfect imitation of the genuine. These sets worth \$20.00. **\$11.98**

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FOR WOMEN OR MISSES

LADIES' AND MISSES' WAISTS of all the latest styles, in all the desired colors and combinations, in all the wanted fabrics. They make ideal and inexpensive gifts.

MESSALINE AND SHADOW LACE WAISTS—All styles and colors, also fancy combinations. \$1.98 to \$9.98

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SPECIAL

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Made with new drop shoulder sleeves. Yoke and sleeve of lace to match. Real value \$3.50. **\$1.98**

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LADIES' TRIMMED HATS in a variety of colors, new shapes, made of good velvet and plush. \$1.98 to \$12.00

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Made of All Wool Serges, stylishly made, regularly worth \$5.00 to \$10.00. **\$5.98**

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LADIES' COMBINATION SUITS—In ribbed. 50c to \$1.25

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR—Ladies' muslin drawers. 25c to 98c

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LADIES' MUSLIN SKIRTS 50c to \$3.98

LADIES' MUSLIN GOWNS 50c to \$3.00

LADIES' MUSLIN COMBINATION SUITS—In ribbed. 50c to \$1.25

SWEATERS

LADIES' AND MISSES' SWEATERS in navy, gray, red and white, baron and ruff collar. \$1.98 to \$5.98

INFANTS' AND GIRLS' SWEATERS—In pink, light blue, white, red and white, navy, etc., neatly woven and made. 25c to \$2.00

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LADIES' RAINCOATS—Made of good waterproof cloth, all styles, including black and navy. \$5.00 to \$12.00

LADIES' UMBRELLAS 98c to \$3.98

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Reduced Prices

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Our men's suits are made by a reliable men's suit manufacturer of wide reputation. They have our absolute confidence as to style and making and we guarantee each and every suit without hesitation.

MEN'S SUITS—In all the latest shades of brown, navy, greys, fancy mixtures, black and blue worsteds, chevrons, serges, thibets and cassimeres, cut in the latest styles, size 34 to 48. \$7.98 to \$25.00

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SPECIAL

MEN'S \$10 SUITS \$6.98—Men's and young men's suits, made of good quality cassimeres and worsteds, in blue and brown and fancy mixtures. These suits are well made and tailored and cut on newest models with close fitting collar and lapels, all sizes, values \$10 to \$12. Special \$6.98

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An overcoat, to be comfortable, should embody two features—it should be light and warm. We have our absolute confidence as to style and making and we guarantee each and every suit without hesitation.

MEN'S AND YOUTH'S OVERCOATS—Made of Chinilla, Kersey, Melton and Worsted, in Oxford, blacks, gray and fancy mixtures, nicely tailored and cut in the latest styles. \$12.00 to \$25.00

MEN'S AND YOUTH'S CONVERTIBLE AND ULSTER OVERCOATS—Made of all wool chevrons and velours, in grey, brown and fancy mixtures, perfect fitting. \$10.00 to \$25.00

MEN'S RAINCOATS—Made of double texture materials, guaranteed \$5.98 to \$15.00

SPECIAL

MEN'S CHINILLA OVERCOATS—Men's and young men's blue chinilla overcoats, made with new style shawl collar, single breasted, full length, wind strap on cuffs. \$12.00 to \$25.00

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MEN'S AND YOUTH'S TROUSERS—Made of worsteds, chevrons and tashmeres, in black, blue, grey and fancy mixtures; also corduroys. \$1.50 to \$6.50

SPECIAL

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MEN'S FUR FEEL DERRYS—All the latest shapes. \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00

MEN'S VELOUR TELESCOPE and fancy felt and cloth soft hats in black, grey and tan. \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00

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Watches, Rings and all other Jewelry at Half Price—Cash or Credit

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